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Values and Limits

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# Heart failure: an increasing problem for global healthcare systems

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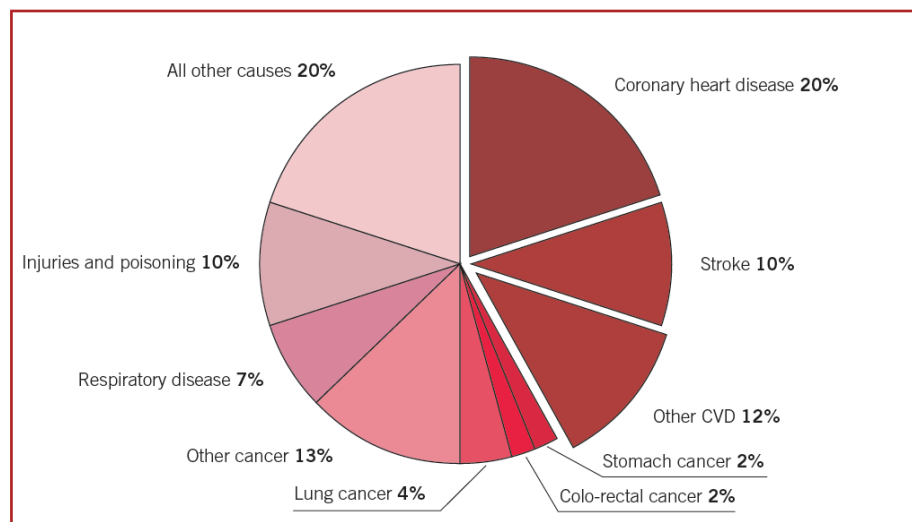
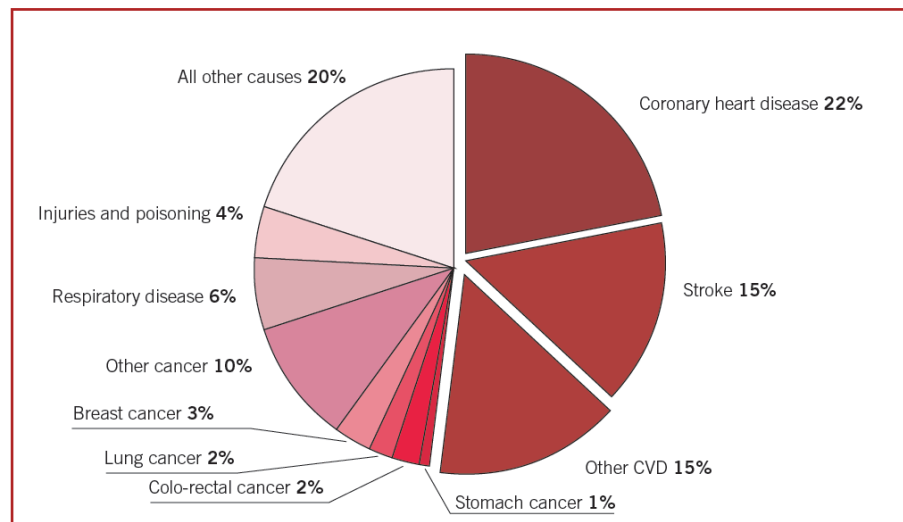


Figure 1.1b Deaths by cause, women, latest available year, Europe



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- Each year cardiovascular disease (CVD) causes over 4 million deaths in Europe and over 1.9 million deaths in the European Union (EU).
- CVD causes 47% of all deaths in Europe and 40% in the EU.
- CVD is the main cause of death in women in all countries of Europe and is the main cause of death in men in all but 6 countries.

22%

Injuries and t

Respi



# Heart failure: an increasing problem for global healthcare systems

**Table 12.1** Total cost of CVD, CHD and cerebrovascular diseases, 2009, EU

	CVD		CHD		Cerebrovascular disease	
	€ thousands	% of total	€ thousands	% of total	€ thousands	% of total
<b>Direct health care costs</b>	106,156,940	54%	19,867,875	33%	19,102,868	50%
<b>Productivity loss due to mortality</b>	26,963,326	14%	12,014,249	20%	4,812,409	13%
<b>Productivity loss due to morbidity</b>	18,873,665	10%	5,530,552	9%	3,329,282	9%
<b>Informal care costs</b>	43,560,202	22%	22,812,144	38%	11,115,782	29%
<b>Total</b>	<b>195,554,133</b>		<b>60,224,820</b>		<b>38,360,340</b>	





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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overall CVD is estimated to cost the EU economy almost €196 billion a year.</li> <li>Of the total cost of CVD in the EU, around 54% is due to health care costs, 24% due to productivity losses and 22% due to the informal care of people with CVD.</li> </ul>		
<b>Total</b>	195,554,133	60,224,820	38,360,340

Direct costs  
Productivity losses  
Productivity losses  
Informal care

50%  
13%  
9%  
29%



# Expenditure for cardiovascular drugs in Italy

Categoria terapeutica	Classe A-SSN <sup>^</sup>		Acquisto private di classe A		Classe C con ricetta		Automedicazione SOP e OTC		Strutture Sanitarie Pubbliche		Totale euro°
	euro°	%*	euro°	%*	euro°	%*	euro°	%*	euro°	%*	
C- Cardiovascolare	3.813	87,7	157	3,6	89	2,0	125	2,9	167	3,8	4.350
A- Gastrointestinale e metabolismo	1.907	55,5	174	5,1	237	6,9	651	19,0	465	13,5	3.434
L- Antineoplastici e immunomodulatori	260	7,8	20	0,6	9	0,3	-	-	3.034	91,3	3.323
N-SNC	1.426	43,1	131	4,0	946	28,6	253	7,6	553	16,7	3.310
J- Antimicrobici	884	33,4	131	4,9	87	3,3	<1	<0,1	1.543	58,3	2.645
B- Sangue e organi emopoietici	593	30,4	77	4,0	93	4,8	13	0,7	1.174	60,2	1.950
R- Respiratorio	1.059	61,0	111	6,4	159	9,2	354	20,4	52	3,0	1.734
M- Muscolo-scheletrico	506	38,5	176	13,4	213	16,2	333	25,3	86	6,6	1.315
G- Genito-urinario e ormoni sessuali	400	32,4	33	2,7	652	52,8	48	3,9	102	8,3	1.235
D- Dermatologici	57	8,8	37	5,8	271	42,0	258	39,9	23	3,5	646
H- Ormoni sistemici	230	41,2	47	8,4	26	4,6	-	-	256	45,7	559
S- Organi di senso	212	38,0	17	3,0	172	30,8	91	16,3	67	11,9	558
V- Vari	104	23,9	<1	<0,1	44	10,0	<1	<0,1	370	84,4	438
P- Antiparassitari	12	56,5	3	13,6	4	19,6	1	4,7	1	5,5	21
<b>Totale</b>	<b>11.463</b>	<b>44,9</b>	<b>1.032</b>	<b>4,0</b>	<b>3.000</b>	<b>11,8</b>	<b>2.128</b>	<b>8,3</b>	<b>7.892</b>	<b>30,9</b>	<b>25.515</b>

<sup>^</sup>Spesa di fascia A al netto della fascia C rimborsata per i titolari di pensione di guerra diretta vitalizia ai sensi della Legge n. 203 del 19 luglio 2000 (25 milioni di euro)

° Lorda in milioni di euro

\*Calcolata sulla categoria

Fonte: OsMed, Tracciabilità del farmaco ed elaborazione OsMed su dati IMS Health



# Expenditure for cardiovascular drugs in EU

ATC	Italia	Austria	Belgio	Finlandia	Francia	Germania	Grecia	Irlanda	Portogallo	Spagna	UK
C - Cardiovascolare	24,7	18,3	18,4	11,1	17,0	11,6	31,5	15,3	27,9	18,2	12,4
A - Gastrointestinale	17,8	14,1	12,7	18,4	13,1	13,6	15,5	20,7	17,4	15,9	16,5
N - SNC	14,2	16,5	17,3	17,6	14,9	14,6	14,8	19,6	17,3	19,7	25,6
R - Respiratorio	11,3	10,4	13,4	13,3	10,7	9,9	9,2	11,7	9,4	14,5	18,6
G - Genito-urinario e ormoni sessuali	6,7	4,4	5,4	6,9	4,2	4,8	2,7	4,6	6,4	7,9	6,0
J - Antimicrobici	6,5	9,8	10,0	3,7	10,7	9,0	6,5	3,3	5,6	3,2	2,6
M - Muscolo-scheletrico	5,3	4,7	3,5	3,6	3,8	3,7	4,3	3,3	6,7	5,1	2,5
D - Dermatologici	3,9	3,0	2,6	2,6	2,8	3,1	2,3	3,0	2,9	3,4	5,6
B - Ematologici	3,3	4,7	3,9	6,7	7,5	8,0	5,6	3,0	2,7	3,5	2,0
S - Organi di senso	3,2	1,2	1,4	2,2	3,6	2,6	2,0	1,8	2,3	3,0	2,8
H - Ormoni sistemici	1,3	1,4	1,8	1,8	1,9	1,9	1,5	1,6	0,6	1,8	2,3
L - Antineoplastici	1,2	10,3	8,7	11,8	9,1	14,4	3,6	11,6	0,4	3,1	2,4
V - Vari	0,4	1,0	0,4	0,2	0,5	2,6	0,4	0,3	0,2	0,5	0,2
P - Antiparassitari	0,1	0,1	0,2	0,2	0,3	0,2	0,1	0,3	0,2	0,1	0,4

\* Il valore di spesa comprende i farmaci di classe A-SSN (pubblico + privato), di classe C con ricetta e i farmaci di automedicazione (SOP e OTC)

Fonte: elaborazioni AIFA su dati IMS/MIDAS

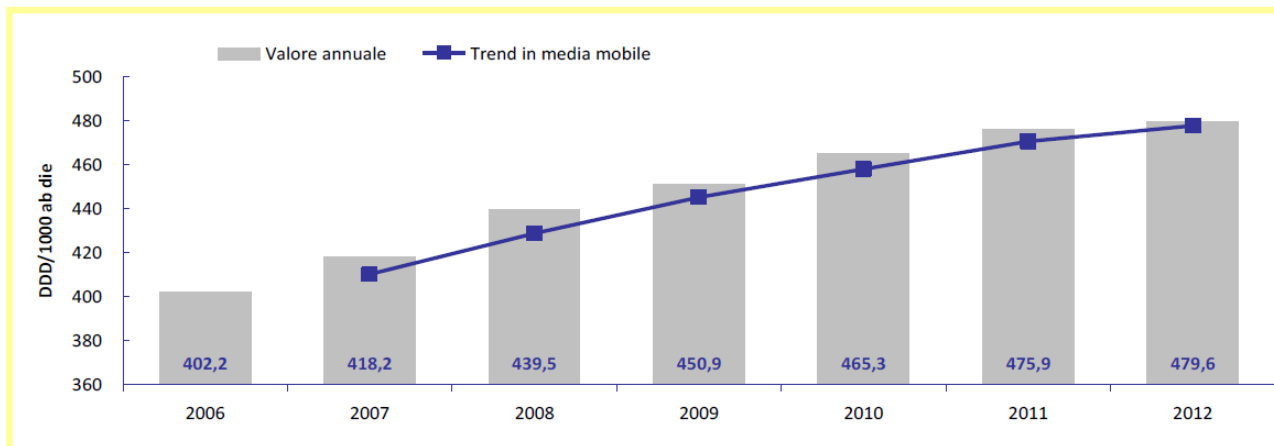


# Temporal trend in expenditure for cardiovascular drugs in Italy

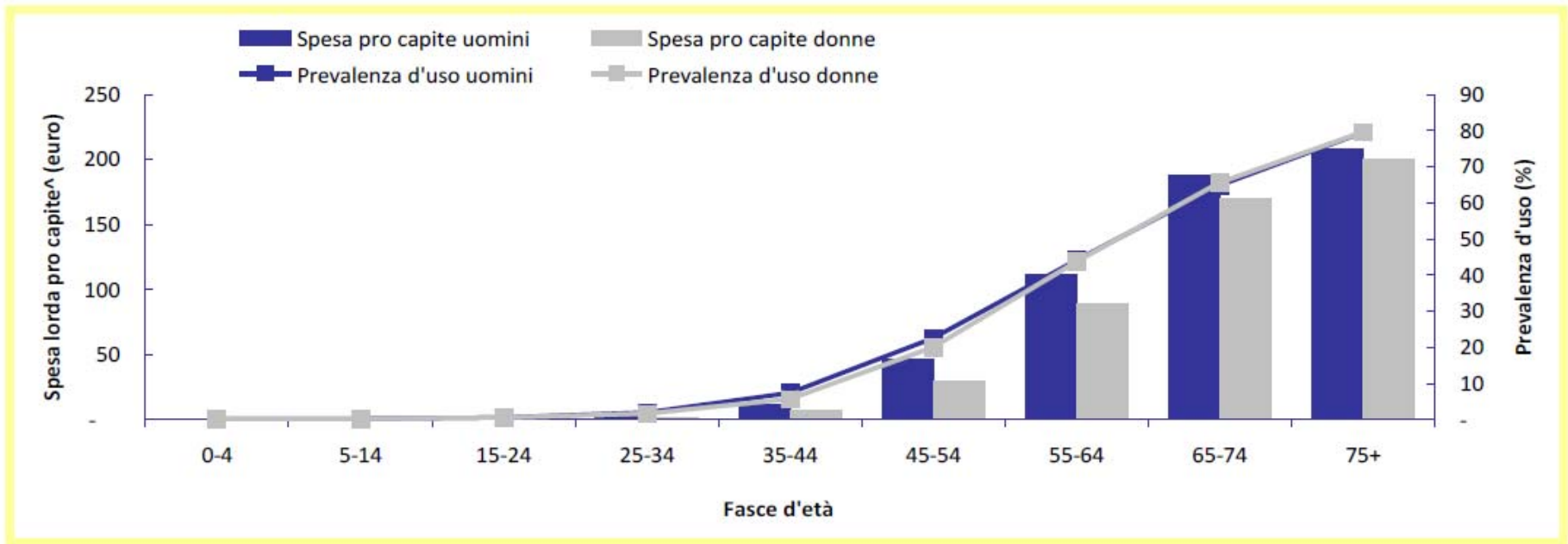
## PRINCIPALI INDICI DI SPESA, DI CONSUMO E DI ESPOSIZIONE APPARATO CARDIOVASCOLARE

<b>Spesa pubblica* in milioni di € (% sul totale)</b>	<b>3.980,0</b>	<b>(20,6)</b>
Δ % 2012/2011		-12,4
Range regionale spesa lorda pro capite (€):	49,5	77,2
<b>DDD/1000 ab die (% sul totale)</b>	<b>479,6</b>	<b>(41,5)</b>
Δ % 2012/2011		0,7
Range regionale DDD/1000 ab die:	372,4	559,8

\* spesa convenzionata e spesa per farmaci acquistati dalle strutture sanitarie pubbliche



# Expenditure for cardiovascular drugs in Italy by gender



# Ranking of SSN expenditure by cardiovascular drugs (Atc1=C)

Rank	Atc2	SSN Expenditure 2013 (extimation)	%
1	AGENTS ACTING ON THE RENIN-ANGIOTENSIN SYSTEM (C09)	1.262.766.836	43,9%
2	LIPID MODIFYING AGENTS (C10)	871.260.072	30,3%
3	CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS (C08)	244.481.477	8,5%
4	BETA BLOCKING AGENTS (C07)	194.068.947	6,7%
5	CARDIAC THERAPY (C01)	148.415.462	5,2%
6	DIURETICS (C03)	82.000.645	2,8%
7	ANTIHYPERTENSIVES (C02)	75.544.999	2,6%
8	VASOPROTECTIVES (C05)	298.702	0,0%
9	PERIPHERAL VASODILATORS (C04)	110.315	0,0%
10	TOTAL	2.878.947.455	100%

# Economic sustainability and affordability



The screenshot shows the ASDReports website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'ASDReports' logo, 'premium market research, analysis & forecast' tagline, and links for 'Login', 'About us', and 'Customers'. Below this is a search bar with the text 'Keyword search here' and a 'Search' button. A breadcrumb trail shows 'Home > News > Global Anticoagulants Market to Spike to Over \$24 Billion by 2019'. On the left side, there are vertical buttons for 'LIVE CHAT' and 'CONTACT US'. The main content area features a 'back to News' link, the article title 'Global Anticoagulants Market to Spike to Over \$24 Billion by 2019', the date 'Tuesday 16 April 2013, Amsterdam', and the first paragraph: 'This newly published "New Oral Anticoagulants Markets" report that the global anticoagulants market will spike to over \$24 billion by 2019.' The second paragraph begins: 'Anticoagulants can be categorized into five main modalities: low molecular weight heparins (LMWHs), heparins, warfarin, direct thrombin inhibitors (DTIs) and factor Xa inhibitors. The U.S. anticoagulants market, which encompasses over 60% of the global market for anticoagulants, will grow from \$7.06 billion in 2012 to \$15.32 billion in 2019 as it shifts from being monopolized by a single injectable anticoagulant, warfarin, to once-daily oral anticoagulants.'



[https://www.asdreports.com/news.asp?pr\\_id=1325](https://www.asdreports.com/news.asp?pr_id=1325)

# New oral anticoagulants: a paradigm for a balance between values and limits

## Values

- Fixed oral dosing
- No need to monitor prothrombin time or INR
- Fewer drug interactions
- No dietary restrictions

## Limits

- Lack of validated tests to assay their anticoagulant effect
- No antidote readily available to halt bleeding
- Lack of data on long-term adverse effects beyond bleeding
- Absence of head-to-head comparisons between novel oral anticoagulants
- Costs





# New oral anticoagulants



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**AIFA CONCEPT PAPER**

**I nuovi anticoagulanti orali nella prevenzione di ictus e tromboembolismo sistemico in pazienti con fibrillazione atriale non valvolare.**

Preparazione del Draft	10.08.2012
Approvazione del Draft e rilascio per la consultazione	26.09.2012
Inizio della consultazione	01.10.2012
Fine della consultazione	01.12.2012



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## Programmi generali:

- Farmaci antineoplastici
- Farmaci orfani
- Farmaci per la psoriasi
- Farmaci antidiabetici
- **Farmaci cardiovascolari**
- Farmaci oromucosi
- Farmaci antireumatici
- Farmaci dermatologici
- Farmaci per malattie respiratorie **NEW**
- Farmaci per la cura dell'osteoporosi **NEW**
- Farmaci neurologici

## Farmaci sottoposti a monitoraggio

### Cruscotto Informativo Regionale Registri (CIRR)

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## Progetti specifici:

- ADHD



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# AIFA Registries on cardiovascular diseases

Drug	Starting data	Setting	Inclusion	N° of treatments*
Pradaxa®	16/06/2013	FANV	[CHA2 DS2-VASc $\geq$ 1 AND HAS-BLED $>$ 3] OR [TTR $<$ 70% in the last 6 months] OR [Unable to perform INR monitoring]	32056
Rivaroxaban ®	13/09/2013	Persistent FANV	[CHA2 DS2-VASc $\geq$ 3 AND HAS-BLED $>$ 3] OR [TTR $<$ 60% in the last 6 months] OR [Unable to perform INR monitoring]	4229
Apixaban ®	Upcoming	Chronic or parossistic FANV	[CHA2 DS2-VASc $\geq$ 3 AND HAS-BLED $>$ 3] OR [TTR $<$ 70% in the last 6 months] OR [Unable to perform INR monitoring]	n.a.

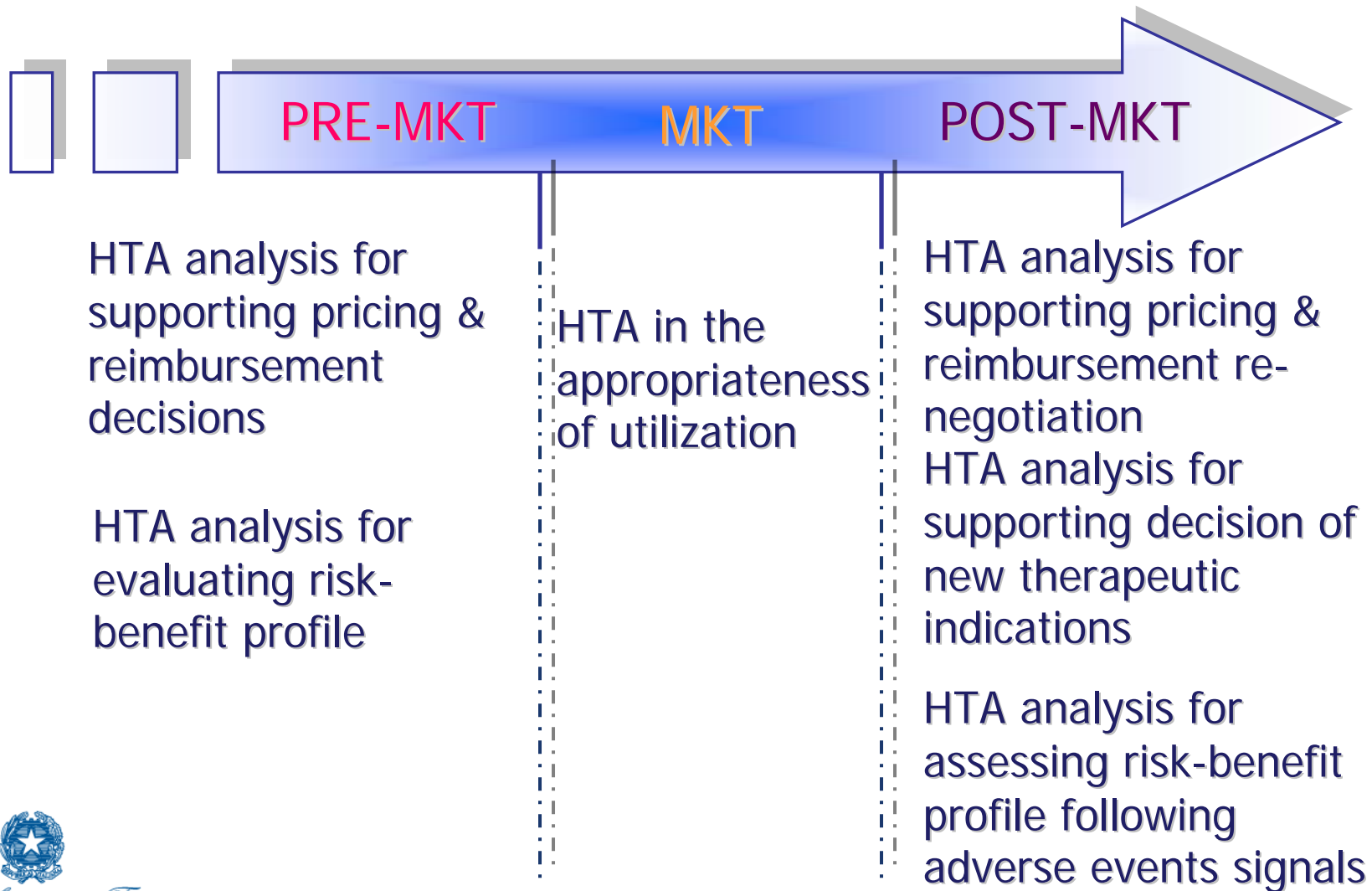
\* Updated at 15/11/2013

# Expenditure for antithrombotic drugs in italy compared with other EU nations

**Jan-Sep 2013.** Incidence of antithrombotic agents (B01A)

Country Atc4	ITALY RETAIL		FRANCE RETAIL		GERMANY RETAIL		SPAIN RETAIL		UK RETAIL	
	Standard Units (%)	Outpatient Expenditure (%)	Standard Units (%)	Outpatient Expenditure (%)	Standard Units (%)	Outpatient Expenditure (%)	Standard Units (%)	Outpatient Expenditure (%)	Standard Units (%)	Outpatient Expenditure (%)
B01AC Platelet aggregation inhibitors excl. heparin	71,7%	36,6%	55,8%	26,8%	71,7%	23,1%	51,6%	24,2%	48,6%	28,6%
B01AA Vitamin K antagonists	9,3%	2,6%	13,5%	2,2%	9,4%	2,0%	10,7%	2,8%	23,2%	9,9%
B01AB Heparin group	2,0%	36,5%	1,7%	21,1%	1,8%	25,2%	2,1%	39,4%	0,3%	25,8%
B01AX Other antithrombotic agents	0,1%	1,5%	0,2%	3,9%	0,1%	1,8%	0,0%	0,2%	0,0%	0,2%
B01AE Direct thrombin inhibitors	0,1%	0,5%	2,7%	5,9%	1,5%	6,1%	1,3%	6,0%	0,3%	4,8%
B01AF Direct factor Xa inhibitors	0,0%	0,1%	1,5%	6,6%	2,6%	19,1%	0,5%	4,1%	0,2%	4,6%
B01AD Enzymes	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,002%	0,3%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%	0,0%
Others	16,9%	22,2%	24,6%	33,4%	13,0%	22,4%	33,8%	23,3%	27,4%	26,1%
<b>Total Blood and blood forming organs (B)</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>	<b>100,0%</b>

# When does HTA matter?



# Major challenges in evaluating heart failure RCT according to an HTA perspective

## 1) Complexity of disease:

- Heart failure is a complex syndrome that can result from any structural or functional cardiac disorder which impairs the ability of the heart to function as a pump to support a physiological circulation.
- The evaluation of a patient with suspected heart failure therefore entails more than determining whether or not the syndrome is present – it also requires an identification of the underlying abnormality of the heart.
- Higher prevalence in elderly (potential impact of co-morbidity and co-medication).
- Great heterogeneity in different countries/structures in diagnostic and therapeutic approach to HF.





# Major challenges in evaluating heart failure RCT according to an HTA perspective

- 2) Diagnosis: to determine the most clinically effective and cost-effective diagnostic algorithms considering
- Symptom or sign
  - Clinical features
  - Electrocardiography (ECG)
  - B-type natriuretic peptides (BNP)
  - N-terminal pro-B-type natriuretic peptides (NT-proBNP)
  - Echocardiography
  - Other cardiac imaging (TOE, CRM, SPECT, PET)
  - Other investigations (cardiac catheterization, genetic testing)



# Major challenges in evaluating heart failure RCT according to an HTA perspective

## 3) Population:

- Representativeness (*e.g.* gender, elderly, race)
- Comorbidities
- Stratification

## 4) Intervention and comparator:

- Placebo in add-on design (*caveat*: local SOC may differ substantially)
- Active-control studies
- Combination therapy



# Major challenges in evaluating heart failure RCT according to an HTA perspective

5) End point	Notes
Mortality	All-cause vs cause specific death
Heart failure hospitalization	Need for a consistent definition and accurate adjudication of cause-specific hospitalization
Duration of hospitalization	Include both number of days in intensive/coronary units and in total in-patient stay
Repeated hospitalization	Need to standardize criteria for hospitalization
Days alive and out of hospital	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Limitation in its ability to weight the relative importance of deaths vs repeat hospitalization</li><li>– The “win ratio” as a approach to the analysis of composite end-point based on clinical priorities</li></ul>

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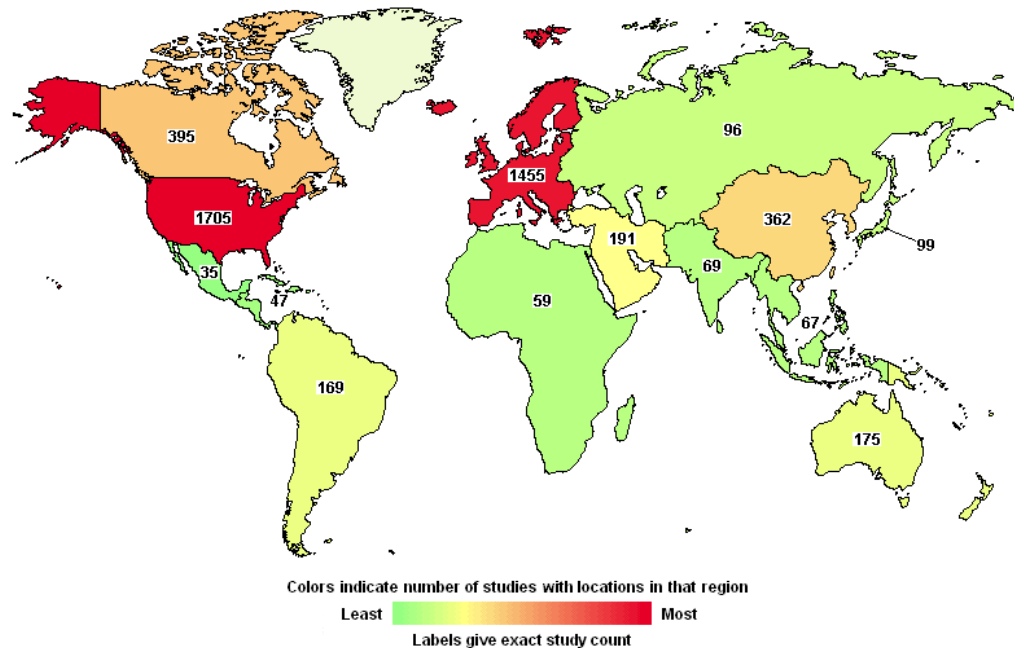
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5) End point (CONT'D)	Notes
Symptoms (e.g. dyspnoea)	Need for consistent measures and standardized methods
Patient Reported Outcomes	Need for consistent and validated measures given its relevance for pharmacoeconomic evaluation
Changes in resources utilization	Concomitant medication, oxygen therapy and intubation/assisted ventilation
Other terminal events	Consider potential for LVAD implantation, heart transplant

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# Clinical trial on heart failure

*ClinicalTrials.gov* 4059 RCT registered





# Looking to the future: “rising from the doldrums in acute heart failure”?



- Recombinant human relaxin-2 (Sarelaxin®): under evaluation at the EMA<sup>1</sup>
- Genetically targeted enzyme replacement therapy (Mydicar®)<sup>2</sup>
- New types of assistance: telemonitoring support<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Konstam MA. *Lancet* 2013; Teerlink JR et al. *Lancet* 2013; Metra M et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol* 2013

<sup>2</sup>Papalos A, Frishman WH. *Cardiol Rev* 2013

<sup>3</sup>Pandor A et al. *HTA* 2013

Is it an unbridgeable gap?



# How to bridge the gap



- Collaboration and communication between stakeholders (research centers, patients and physicians associations, regulators, payers and pharmaceutical industry);
- Design together (Regulators, Payers, Manufacturers, University, Patients) clinical trials to obtain homogenous and forecasting decisions;
- Stimulating high quality research (defining consistent and transparent quality standards; harmonizing clinical trial procedures, defining endpoints for added clinical benefit in view of HTA);
- Promoting “scientific advice” model in the process of R&D shared by the Regulator and the Payer.



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